

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical pickup apparatus comprises a semiconductor laser output controller for emitting laser beam, a photodetector for detecting
5 the emitted laser beam, a sampling processor for performing a sampling process, a pulse current generator for generating erase current pulses, write current pulses, and read current pulses, and a controller for controlling the above components. The apparatus performs the sampling process and generates the current pulses
10 according to a predetermined APC timing and controls the semiconductor laser output controller based on the sampling process and current pulses.

(fig.1)